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CHAPTER II.

When Brant returned to his hotel there was an augmented respect in the voice of the clerk as he handed him a note with the remark that it had been left by Senator Boompointer's coachman. He had no difficulty in recognizing Susy's peculiarly Brobdingnagian schoolgirl hand.

"Kla'uns, I call it real mean! I believe you just hoped I wouldn't know you. If you're a bit like your old self you'll come right off here—this very night! I've got a big party on—but we can talk somewhere between the acts! Haven't I growed! Tell me! And my! what a gloomy swell the young brigadier is! The carriage will come for you—so you have no excuse."

The effect of this simple note upon Brant was strangely out of proportion to its triviality. But then it was Susy's very triviality—so expressive of her characteristic irresponsibility — that had always affected him at such moments. Again, as at Robles, he felt it react against his own ethics. Was she not right in her delightful materialism? Was she not happier than if she had been consistently true to Mrs. Peyton, to the convent, to the episode of her theatrical career, to Jim Hooker—even to himself? And did he conscientiously believe that Hooker or himself had suffered for her inconsistency? No! From all that he had heard she was a suitable helpmeet to the senator, in her social attractiveness, her charming ostentations, her engaging vanity that disarmed suspicion, and her lack of responsibility even in her partisanship. Nobody even dared to hold the senator responsible for her promises, even while enjoying the fellowship of both, and it is said that the worthy man singularly profited by it. Looking upon it merely as a phase of Washington society, Brant resolved to go.

The moon was high as the carriage whirled him out of the still stifling avenues towards the soldiers' home—a sylvan suburb frequented by cabinet ministers and the president—where the good senator had "decreed" like Kubla Khan, "a stately pleasure dome" to entertain his friends and partisans. As they approached the house the trembling light, like fireflies through the leaves, the warm silence broken only by a military band playing a drowsy waltz on the veranda, and the heavy odors of jessamine in the air, thrilled Brant with a sense of shame as he thought of his old comrades in the field. But this was presently dissipated by the uniforms that met him in the hall, with the presence of some of his distinguished superiors. At the head of the stairs, with a circling background of the shining crosses and ribbons of the diplomatic corps, stood Susy—her bare arms and neck glittering with diamonds, her face radiant with childlike vivacity. A significant pressure of her little glove as he made his bow seemed to be his only welcome, but a moment later she caught his arm. "You've yet to know him," she said, in a half whisper; "he thinks a good deal of himself—just like Jim. But he makes others believe it, and that's where poor Jim slipped up." She paused before the man thus characteristically disposed of and presented Brant. It was the man he had seen before—material, capable, dogmatic. A glance from his shrewd eyes—accustomed to the weighing of men's weaknesses and ambitions, and a few hurried phrases apparently satisfied him that Brant was not at the moment important or available, and the two men a moment later drifted easily apart. Brant sauntered listlessly through the crowded rooms, half remorsefully conscious that he had taken some irrevocable step, and none the less assured by the presence of two or three reporters and correspondents who were dogging his steps or the glances of two or three pretty women whose curiosity had evidently been aroused by the singular abstraction of this handsome, distinguished, but sardonic-looking officer. But the next moment he was singularly interested.

At the head of the stairs stood Susy.

A tall young woman had just moved into the center of the room with an indolent yet simple gracefulness that seemed familiar to him. A change in her position suddenly revealed her face. It was Miss Faulkner. Previously he had only known her in the riding habit of confederate gray which she had at first affected, or in the light morning muslin dress she had worn at Gray Oaks. It seemed to him to-night that the careless elegance of her full dress became her still more; that the pretty willfulness of her chin and shoulders was chastened and modified by the pearls round her fair throat. Suddenly their eyes met; her face paled visibly; he fancied that she almost leaned against her companion for support; then she met his glance again with a face into which the color had as suddenly rushed, but with eyes that seemed to be appealing to him, even to the point of pain and fright. Brant was not conceited; he could see that the girl's agitation was not the effect of any mere personal influence in his recognition, but of something else. He turned hastily away; when he looked around again she was gone.

Nevertheless he felt filled with a vague irritation. Did she think him such a fool as to imperil her safety by openly recognizing her without her consent? Did she think that he would dare to presume upon the service she had done him? Or, more outrageous thought!—had she heard of his disgrace, known its cause and feared that he would drag her into a disclosure to save himself? No! no—she could not think that! She had perhaps regretted what she had done in a freak of girlish chivalry; she had returned to her old feelings and partisanship; she was only startled at meeting the single witness of her folly. Well, she need not fear! He would studiously avoid her hereafter, and she should know it. And yet—yes, there was a "yes." For he could not forget—[illegible] more often before him than he cared to think—that she was the one human being who had been capable of a great act of self-sacrifice for him—her enemy, her accuser—the man who had scarcely treated her civilly. He was ashamed to remember now that this thought had occurred to him at the bedside of his wife—at the hour of her escape—even on the fatal slope on which he had been struck down. And now this fond illusion must go with the rest—the girl who had served him so loyally was ashamed of it! A bitter smile crossed his face.

"Well, I don't wonder! Here are all the women asking me who is that good-looking Mephistopheles, with the burning eyes, who is prowling around my rooms as if searching for a victim. Why, you're smiling for all the world like poor Jim, when he used to do the Red Avenger."

Susy's voice, an illustration, recalled him to himself. "Furious I may well be," he said, with a gentler smile, although his eyes still glittered, "furious that I have to wait until the one woman I came to see, the one woman I have not seen for so long, while these puppets have been nightly dancing before her—can give me a few moments from them, to talk of the old days."

In his reaction he was quite sincere, although he felt a slight sense of remorse as he saw the quick faint color rise, as in those old days, even through the to-night's powder of her cheek. "That's like the old Kla'uns," she said, with a slight pressure of his arm, "but we will not have a chance to speak until late. When they are nearly all gone you'll take me to get a little refreshment, and we'll have a chat in the conservatory. But you must drop that awfully wicked look, and make yourself generally agreeable to those women until then."

It was perhaps part of this reaction which enabled him to obey his hostess' commands with a certain recklessness that, however, seemed to be in keeping with the previous Satanic reputation he had, all unconsciously, achieved. The women listened to the cynical flippancy of the good-looking soldier with an undisguised admiration, which, in turn, excited curiosity and envy from his own sex. He saw the whispered questioning, the lifted eyebrows, the scornful shrugging of shoulders—and knew that the story of his disgrace was in the air. But I fear this only excited him to further recklessness and triumph. Once he thought he recognized Miss Faulkner's figure at a distance, and even fancied that she had been watching him—but he only redoubled his attentions to the fair woman beside him, and looked no more.

But he was glad when the guests began to drop off; the great rooms thinned, and Susy, appearing on the arm of her husband, coquettishly reminded him of his promise. "For I want to talk to you of old times. Gen. Brant," she went on, turning explanatorily to Boompointer, "married my adopted mother in California, at Robles, a dear old place were I spent my earliest years. So you see we are sort of relations by marriage," she added, with delightful naivete. Hooker's once vainglorious allusion to his relations to the [illegible] before him flashed across Brant's mind, but it left now only a smile on his lips. He felt he had already become a part of the irresponsible comedy of life around him. Why should he resist or examine its ethics too closely? He offered his arm to Susy; they descended the stairs; but instead of pausing in the supper-room, she simply passed through it with a significant pressure of his arm, and drawing aside a muslin curtain stepped into the moonlit conservatory. Behind the curtain there was a small rustic settee; without releasing his arm she sat down, so that when he dropped beside her their hands met and mutually clasped.

"Now, Kla'uns," she said with a slight comfortable shiver as she nestled beside him, "it's a little like your chair down at old Robles, isn't it? Tell me. And to think it's five years ago. But Kla'uns, what's the matter? You are changed," she said, looking at his dark face in the moonlight, "or you have something to tell me."

"I have."

"And it's something dreadful, I know," she said, wrinkling her brows with a pretty terror. "Couldn't you pretend you had told it to me and let us go on just the same? Couldn't you, Kla'uns? Tell me."

"I am afraid I couldn't," he said, with a sad smile.

"Is it about yourself, Kla'uns? You know," she went on with cheerful rapidity, "I know everything about you—I always did, you know—and I don't care and never did care, and it don't and never did make the slightest difference to me. So don't tell it and waste time, Kla'uns."

"It's not about me—but about my wife," he said, slowly.

Her expression changed slightly. "O, her!" she said, after a pause. Then half resignedly: "Go on, Kla'uns."

He began. He had a dozen times rehearsed to himself his miserable story, always feeling it keenly, and even fearing that he might be carried away by emotion or morbid sentiment in telling it to another, but to his astonishment he found himself telling it practically, calmly, almost cynically to his old playmate, repressing the half devotion and even tenderness that had governed him, from the time that his wife, disguised as a mulatto woman, had secretly watched him in his office, to the hour that he had passed her through the lines. He withheld only the incident of Miss Faulkner's complicity and sacrifice.

"And she got away—after having kicked you out of your place, Kla'uns?" said Susy when he had ended.

Clarence stiffened beside her. But he felt he had gone too far to quarrel with his confidante. "She went away. I honestly believe that we shall never meet again—or I should not be telling you this!"

"Kla'uns," she said lightly, taking his hand again, "don't you believe it! She won't let you go. You're one of those men that a woman when she once has hooked on to won't let go of even when she believes she no longer loves him—or meets bigger and better men. I reckon it's because you're so different from other men—maybe—there are so many different things about you to hook on to—and you don't slip off as easily as the others. Now, if you were like old Peyton, her first husband, or like poor Jim, or even my Boompointer, you'd be all right! No, my boy, all we can do is try to keep her from getting at you here. I reckon she won't trust herself in Washington again in a hurry!"

"But I cannot stay here—my career is in the field."

"Your career is alongside o' me, honey—and Boompointer. But never mind me. We'll fix all that. I heard something about your being in disgrace, but the story was that you were [illegible] on some [illegible] girl down there—and neglected your business, Kla'uns. But [illegible] to think it was only your own wife! Never mind, we'll [illegible] that [illegible]. We've had worse [illegible] than that [illegible]. Why, there was that [illegible] who was [illegible] and there was that general who wouldn't make an attack when it rained, and this other general—you know who I mean, Kla'uns—who wouldn't invade the state where his sister lived—but we straightened them out somehow, and they were a heap worse than you. We'll get you a position in the war department here, one of the bureau offices, where you keep your rank and your uniform—you don't look bad in it, Kla'uns—on better pay. And you'll come and see me—and we'll talk over old times."

Brant felt his heart turn sick within him. But he was at her mercy now! He said with an effort: "But I've told you that my career—nay, my life—now is in the field."

"Don't you be a fool, Kla'uns, and leave it there. You have done your work of fighting—mighty good fighting, too, and everybody knows it. You've earned a change. Let others take your place."

He shuddered as he remembered that his wife had made the same appeal. Was he a fool, then; and these two women—so totally unlike in everything—right in this?

"Come, Kla'uns," said Susy, relapsing against his shoulder, "now talk to me! You don't say what you think of me, of my home, my furniture—of my position—even of him! Tell me!"

"I find you well, prosperous, and happy," he said, with a faint smile.

"Is that all? How do I look?"

She turned her still youthful mischievous face toward him in the moonlight. The witchery of her blue eyes was still there as of old, the same frank irresponsibility beamed from them; her parted lips seemed to give him back the breath of his youth. He started, but she did not.

"Susy, dear!"

It was her husband's voice. "I quite forgot," it went on, as he drew the curtain aside, "that you are engaged with a friend, but Miss Faulkner is waiting to say 'good night,' and I volunteered to find you."

"Tell her to wait a moment," said Susy, with an impatience that was as undisguised as it was without embarrassment or confusion.

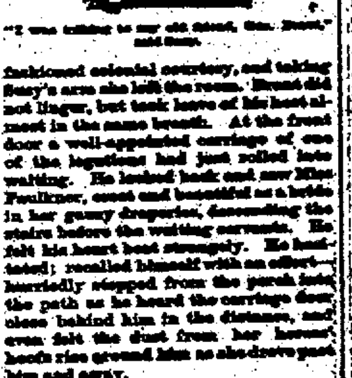
But Miss Faulkner, unconsciously following Mr. Boompointer, was already upon them. For a moment, the whole four were silent—although perfectly composed.

Senator Boompointer, unconscious of any infelicity in his interruption, was calmly waiting. Clarence, opposed suddenly to the young girl, whom he believed was avoiding his recognition, rose, coldly imperturbable. Miss Faulkner, looking taller and more erect in the long folds of her satin cloak, neither paled nor blushed, as she regarded Susy and Brant with a smile of well-bred apology.

"I expect to leave Washington to-morrow, and may not be able to call again," she said, "or I would not have so particularly pressed a leavetaking upon you."

"I was talking with my old friend, Gen. Brant," said Susy, more by way of introduction than apology.

Brant bowed. For an instant the clear eyes of Miss Faulkner slipped idly across him as she made him an old-fashioned colonial courtesy, and taking Susy's arm she left the room. Brant did not linger, but took leave of his host almost in the same breath. At the front door a well-appointed carriage of one of the legations had just rolled into waiting. He looked back and saw Miss Faulkner, erect and beautiful as a bride in her gauzy draperies, descending the stairs before the waiting servants. He felt his heart beat strangely. He hesitated; recalled himself with an effort—hurriedly stepped from the porch into the path as he heard the carriage door close behind him in the distance, and even felt the dust from her horses' hoofs rise around him as she drove past him and away.



"I was talking to my old friend, Gen. Brant," said Susy.

CHAPTER III.

Although Brant was convinced as soon as he left the house that he could not accept anything from the Boompointer influence, and that his interview with Susy was fruitless, he knew that he must temporize. While he did not believe that his old playmate would willingly betray him, he was uneasy when he thought of the vanity and impulsiveness which might compromise him—or of a possible jealousy that might seek revenge. Yet he had no reason to believe that Susy's nature was jealous, or that she was likely to have any cause, but the fact was that the silence of Miss Faulkner's [illegible] when they were together affected him more strongly than the real silence of his interview with Susy—which was her offer. Once out of the atmosphere of that house, it struck him, too, that Miss Faulkner was almost as much of an alien to it as himself. He wondered what she had been doing there. Could it be possible that she was obtaining information for the south? But he rejected the idea as quickly as it had occurred to him. Perhaps there could be no stronger proof of the unconscious influence the young girl already had over him.

He remembered the liveries of the diplomatic carriage that had borne her away and ascertained without difficulty that her sister had married one of the foreign ministers, and that she was the guest in his house. But he was the more astonished to hear that she and her sister were considered to be southern unionists, and were greatly petted in governmental circles for their unflinching fidelity to the flag. His informant, an official in the state department, added that Miss Matilda might have been a good deal of a [illegible] at the outbreak of the war, for the sisters had a brother in the confederate service, but that she had changed greatly, and, indeed, within a month. "Yes," he added, "she was at the white house for the first time last week, and they say the president talked more to her than any other woman."

The [illegible] sensation with which this simple information filled Brant [illegible]

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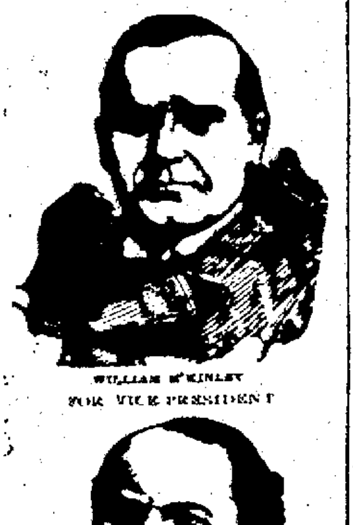

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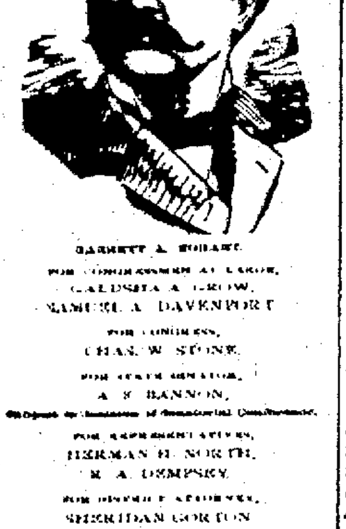

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R. A. DEMPSEY.

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SHERIDAN GORTON.

FOR PROTHONOTARY, ETC.,
GEO. W. MITCHELL.

FOR SHERIFF,
J. FRED DAVIS.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
WILLIAM A. YOUNG,
LEMUEL DAVIS.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
J. C. CANNON, JR.,
C. W. FREEMAN.

THERE are no "keep off the grass" signs in McKinley's door yard at the present time.

THE next national encampment of the G. A. R. will be held at St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 2, 3 and 4.

FRANK COLLINS, of Bradford, is talked of as a candidate for State Senator on the Democratic side of the house.

WILL Cleveland contribute a $10,000 check to the free silver Democratic campaign fund this year? There is a strong doubt of his loosening the purse strings this time.

JANUARY 1, 1893, there were in the United States 47,273,553 sheep. At the first of January, 1896, there were 38,298,783, a falling off in three years of almost 9,000,000.

THE Democratic convention adjourned until 10 a. m. to-day without making a nomination. It seems to be hard to find a man to take the stand on their death-trap platform.

THE Democratic National Convention meets in Chicago on the 7th inst. About Thursday next will settle the question of whether the Democrat shall take to the woods or remain at the old stand and help elect a sound money man.—McKean Democrat.

If our down-town contemporary lives up to his word, his headquarters are somewhere between Norwich Corners and Gardeau about this time.

THE price paid to our labor is 100 per cent. more than is paid in English potteries, and 60 per cent. of the cost of the product is labor. We have good raw material, skilled labor, new and valuable improvements. Our decorated ware is not excelled anywhere. All that is needed is a just and fair protection, and we will fail in our duty if it is not accorded.—Hon. Wm. McKinley.

FOR the fiscal year 1892, under the McKinley tariff, we exported goods to the amount of $948,041,451. For the fiscal year 1895 the amount exported was $806,314,713, a falling off of $137,726,738. To show the difference on the other side, or Europe's gain. Under the McKinley tariff we imported in 1894 $617,322,443 in goods. In 1895, under the Gorman tariff, the imports amounted to $731,314,024. Under the Gorman tariff we imported $114,002,361 more than under the McKinley tariff. Is the American workman the gainer by this free trade application?

THE LIFE OF THE STEEL RAIL.

Mr. J. F. Wallace, writing in the Engineering Magazine, states that while it is true that there has been a steady and uniform decrease in the price of steel during the last quarter of a century, the average standard weight of rail for main lines has at the same time increased from 60lb. to 70lb. per yard, and the quality has materially depreciated. As an example of the deterioration that has taken place in quality, he states that during the past year he has relieved from a main track on tangents rails that weighed 75 lb. to the yard which had been in the track only five years; whereas, in the same district, and under precisely the same traffic conditions, there still remain in the track 60 lb. rails that have been in service for over fifteen years, which it was not considered necessary to remove this season. While this may be an exceptional case, he considers the steel rail which was furnished by the manufacturers fifteen to twenty years ago about 30 per cent. better than the rail now manufactured. This is not intended to apply to special high steel rails, which may be furnished by a few rolling mills under superior specifications, but to the ordinary steel rail supplied to and purchased by the majority of the railroads.

CONDEMNING THEIR OWN WORK.

The Democratic platform formulated and adopted at Chicago is too lengthy to be given in full. Following is the cream of the conglomeration:

"We, the Democrats of the United States in national convention assembled, do reaffirm our allegiance to those great essential principles of justice and liberty upon which our institutions are founded, and which the Democratic party has maintained from Jefferson's time to our own—freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of conscience, the preservation of personal rights, the equality of all citizens before the law, and the faithful observance of constitutional limitations."

"Recognizing that the money question is paramount to all others at this time, we invite attention to the fact that the Federal Constitution names silver and gold together as the money metals of the United States and that the first coinage law passed by Congress under the Constitution made the silver dollar the unit of value and admitted gold to free coinage at a ratio measured by the silver dollar unit.

"We declare that the act of 1873, demonetizing silver without the knowledge or approval of American people, has resulted in the appreciation of gold and a corresponding fall in the prices of commodities produced by the people; a heavy increase in the burden of taxation and of all debts, public and private; the enrichment of the money lending class at home and abroad; paralysis of industry and impoverishment of the people.

"We are unalterably opposed to the single gold standard, which has locked fast the prosperity of an industrious people in the paralysis of hard times. Gold mono-metallism is a British policy, founded upon British greed for gain and power, and its general adoption has brought other nations into financial servitude to London. It is not only un-American, but anti-American and it can be fastened upon the United States only by the stifling of that indomitable spirit and love of liberty which proclaimed our political independence in 1776 and won it in the War of the Revolution. We demand the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. We demand that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender, equally with gold, for all debts, public and private, and we favor such legislation as will prevent the demonetization of any kind of legal-tender money by private contract.

"We are opposed to the policy and practice of surrendering to the holders of the obligations of the United States the option reserved by law to the government of redeeming such obligations in either silver coin or gold coin."

Then they follow by saying "we are opposed to the issuing of interest bearing bonds of the United States in times of peace," thus repudiating their own actions in Congress during the last three years. They hold that "tariff duties should be levied solely for the purposes of revenue, and taxation should be limited by the needs of the government, honestly and economically administered." This seems in direct opposition to the previous clause in which they were opposed to issuing bonds, and their Wilson Gorman tariff has not furnished sufficient revenue to carry on the government. They propose to change the constitution in order to make the income tax legal. They object to the admission of pauper labor of Europe, but have failed in the last three years to devise any means of preventing immigration of this character. Here is a sop to the farmer:

"We denounce the profligate waste of the money wrung from the people by the oppressive taxation and the lavish appropriations of recent Republican Congresses, which have kept the taxes high while the labor that pays them is unemployed and the products of the people's toil are depressed in price till they no longer repay the cost of production. We demand a return to that simplicity and economy which best befits a democratic government and a reduction in the number of useless offices, the salaries of which drain the substance of the people."

"It seems strange that the Wilson Congress did not reduce the appropriation spoken of above. They seem to denounce their own actions in Congress. The following clause must be very interesting to the "consecrated knight of free trade:"

"We declare it to be the unwritten law of this Republic established by custom and usages of 100 years and sanctioned by the examples of the greatest and wisest of those who founded and have maintained our government, that no man should be eligible for a third term of the Presidential office."

Then at the close, after having lauded their record in Congress in one clause and denounced it in the next, they close in the following style.

"Confiding in the justice of our cause and the necessity of its success at the polls, we submit the foregoing declaration of principles and purposes to the considerate judgment of the American people. We invite the support of all citizens who approve them and who desire to have them made effective through legislation for the relief of the people and the restoration of the country's prosperity."

After the four years of "clover" such as we have enjoyed under the present administration, they have the gall and hardihood to appeal to the people to retain them on such a hop skip and a jump platform, that denounces everything they have done in this their last term of office.

SENATOR MORRILL ON FREE WOOL.

Even in friendly hands, the promotion of sheep husbandry has long been a difficult problem where land is dear and where winter feeding is most expensive. The wools of Australia, Africa and South America are produced at a cost so small comparatively with all other countries that the duty on wool imported into the United States has to be placed at a rate almost as high as would be expedient if it were a luxury or it would yield little revenue, and the protection would be wholly inadequate.

The wide difference in the market price of wool before protective duties were repealed and after will show the benefit derived by the wool grower. The market price of Ohio XX wool in July, 1892, was 28 to 29 cents per pound. In December, 1894, after wool was made free, it was 18 to 18 1-2 cents per pound, and to-day (1896) it is less.

The Democratic tariff has made sheep husbandry no longer successful in any American state, and this most attractive national industry, if free trade supporters hold the power, is to be wholly and forever abandoned and extinguished. Now, while the woolen mills of Great Britain are busy and have nothing to complain of, here in the United States it is different, where it is reported that only 64 per cent. of the hands in the woolen manufacture are now employed, and those at a reduction of wages. The sales of wool daily reported are the smallest ever known, and among the non-dividend class of mills the woolen mills are more largely represented than any other.—Hon. Justin S. Morrill, U. S. Senator of Vermont.

When we consider that the intestines are about five times as long as the body, we can realize the intense suffering experienced when they become inflamed. DeWitt's Colic and Cholera Cure subdues inflammation at once and completely removes the difficulty. A. W. Colegrove, Smethport, A. E. Stickels, East Smethport.

"GREAT CRY AND LITTLE WOOL."

This old and trite saying could be made very applicable in the present instance. Being a farmer, tired of fighting potato bugs, apple tree borers and all other pests that farmers know too well, I happened to meet Mr. Olson, ("Barney Jackson," if you please, as the gentlemanly and mild-tempered editor of the Democrat sees fit to call him.) Mr. Olson asked me how I was getting along. As I had just been offered 13c per pound for my wool, when I sold same in 1890 for 33 1-3 cents, I did not feel in very good humor. I replied to him, that "everything was going wrong for the farmer, no money in anything, that where prosperity and happiness was their lot a few years ago, bankruptcy and failure stared them in the face now, and that it would be hard work to get money enough to pay taxes this year." I told him "that there were various causes for all this, but that the principal cause was the decline in the sheep industry, that in 1890 there were over 13,000 sheep in the county, and to-day I did not believe there were over 2,000 sheep in the county, that owing to the low price of wool and lambs the farmers had sold their flocks and there was nothing to take their place." Mr. Olson saw fit to publish this part of the statement, and lo, what a cry went up from our injured Democratic editor. He and his two bachelor assistants who have nothing else to do these full times, went to work to canvass Keating township. The result appears to have been very gratifying to the Democratic editor, as he found the 2,000 sheep needed to convince the public that Mr. Olson was all wrong in his estimate.

We will admit that our estimate was low, but as the tariff has come into question, will state a few facts for the consideration of those interested. Our bachelor friends give a list of 67 farmers who own 2,038 sheep, which are now worth $2 each, or $4,076. Under a protective tariff these same sheep were easily worth $4 per head, or $8,152. As most flocks of sheep double, or should double every year, the lambs from same have averaged for the past two years about $1.75, (this year they are a little better on account of war city) making the lambs from these 2,038 sheep worth $3,556.50. With a protective tariff they were worth twice that amount, or $7,113.

And the same with wool. In 1890 it would average 25 cents a pound, now it will not average more than one half that, or 12 1-2 cents. Now let us see what these farmers have lost in one year by not having their sheep and wool protected. A fair average of wool from these 2,038 sheep would be five pounds per head, or 10,190 pounds of wool from the lot. It would be as follows:

Loss on wool at 12 1-2 cents per pound,	$1,273.75
Loss on lambs,	3,556.50
Total loss on production,	$4,830.25
Add loss in depreciation of value of sheep	$4,076.00
Entire loss for one year	$8,906.25

This is a heavy loss to be stood by 67 farmers alone, more than $130 each on average. Do you wonder the farmers are hard up and crying for a change, and this only for one year. For three years the loss on the original 2,038 sheep and loss on the annual production will amount to more than $15,000, with no hope of a change as our Democratic editor kindly informed us in the last issue of his paper on account of the silver heresy in the Republican party. What a nice prospect for the farmers, brought about by Democratic legislation.

What I have stated above is a small part of the loss sustained by the farmers in this vicinity. These same 67 farmers probably owned in 1890 four thousand sheep, as I know many of them had much larger flocks than now, and there were as many more farmers who owned sheep in 1890 who do not own any sheep now. Then there were 21 farmers between Smethport and Coryville who owned sheep, some of them large flocks. To-day there are only six farmers on this same road who own sheep, and they only have from 15 to 30 sheep each. There must have been 6,000 or more sheep in Keating township in 1890, the loss on which would be $12,000 on the original sheep and a loss annually of $12,750 on the production of same. That is a great loss for a community in moderate circumstances. Most of the sheep in the county are in the townships of Keating, Annin, Ceres and Liberty. Keating probably has more sheep than any other township. The balance of the county not mentioned is mostly given up to the production of oil and lumber.

Now who is benefitted by this great wrong done the farmers? It has done more than one hundred thousand dollars damage to the farmers who owned the 13,000 sheep in this county, counting the wool and lambs in three years time. Surely our Democratic editor and his bachelor assistants are not benefitted. Neither are the wage earners, for wages have not been so low for thirty-five years as they are to-day. Prices on what the farmer has to buy are probably 10 to 20 per cent. lower than in 1890, but that will not make up for the 100 per cent. he loses on his sheep, lambs and wool. A great wrong has been done the farmers of this country, a wrong which cannot be righted and the editor of the Democrat knows it as well as anyone, and he thinks by making "a great cry" over the little wool left in the county he will make his readers believe they are prosperous and making lots of money off their dwindling flocks. Much more could be said on this subject, but for the present we will leave it for Mr. Editor and his assistants to go on making inventories and interviewing farmers. We will watch the result with interest.

A FARMER.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., of Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,
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NUT CULTURE.

There is much encouragement to plant our native nuts and some of the foreign ones. As a rule, our indigenous trees are good bearers, and in Mr. Van Deman's opinion they produce nuts of better quality than foreign ones. The chestnut is receiving the most attention now, and there are a few well-marked native varieties of value. Although they are smaller than the European varieties, they are of better quality and very productive. The best are Delaney, Excelsior, Griffin, Hathaway, Morrell and Otto. Rocky hillsides and other places unsuitable for tillage can be used with profit for nut trees, and they can be set about buildings and in pastures. The European varieties seem more profitable. It seems to be a rule that the more pubescence the nut has, the better its quality. European varieties are more hardy than the Japanese and less so than the American sorts. The most prominent of these are the Paragon, Numbo, Ridgely and Hannum. Japanese chestnut trees have a more dwarf habit, and the nut has a bitter skin. They graft quite readily on American seedlings, and the best varieties introduced are Alpha, Early Reliance, Grand and Superb. Among the hickories, the best nut tree is the pecan, a native of our southern states, and the shell bark hickory, common through out the northeastern states. A drive in Pennsylvania [illegible] than twenty tons of hickory nuts every year. The nuts [illegible] planted [illegible] apart [illegible] and thinned as they grow. Seedlings are variable, and so they must be grafted. The principal varieties are Hales, a large thin shelled sort, Leaming, Curtis, Elliott and Mulford. Among the walnuts, our native butternuts may, perhaps, be improved, but the so-called English walnut is the best of the family, although it is difficult to grow as far north as New York. There is no doubt that nut trees are hard to graft and to bud. Evaporation should be prevented until the sap begins to flow. When the sap starts the grafts should be put in underground. The scions should be cut so as to have the pith all on one side, or if necessary to graft above the ground, they should be covered well to prevent all evaporation possible.—Garden and Forest.

EFFECT OF BICYCLE BOOM ON TRADE.

The New York correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger writes to that paper that there has been much discussion of late as to the effect on other trades of the big boom in bicycles. The New York Journal of Commerce recently had a long editorial on the subject and trade papers have generally discussed it. Recently the New York Journal devoted a page to the matter. It estimates the [illegible] at [illegible] a year, and yet it leaves out of its calculation several items that might with reason have been incorporated. It has been generally known that the livery business and the carriage trade had been seriously hurt, but it has lately been made known that the demand for pianos, jewelry, watches and some [illegible] have fallen off materially. It is stated that less whiskey and lager are drunk, fewer cigars smoked and fewer books bought on account of [illegible]. The [illegible] claim that they are obliged to close much earlier in the season because their patrons prefer wheeling to seeing plays. [illegible] a different [illegible] of the [illegible] estimate the [illegible] out [illegible] wheels [illegible] follows that [illegible] and [illegible] thus diverted from other lines of trade. What is gain for the [illegible] is a [illegible] loss to other business men.

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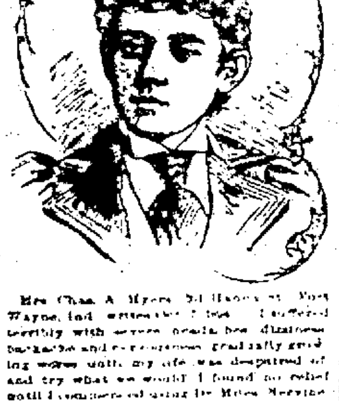

Mrs. Chas. A. Myers, 201 Harmer St., Fort Wayne, Ind., writes [illegible]: "I suffered terribly with severe headaches, dizziness, backache and nervousness, gradually growing worse, until my life was despaired of, and try what we would I found no relief until I commenced using Dr. Miles' Nervine. I have taken five bottles and believe I am a well woman, and I have taken great comfort in recommending all of my friends to use Nervine. You may publish this letter if you wish and I hope it may be the means of saving some other sufferer [illegible]."

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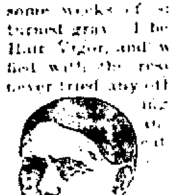

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Scythe Stones,	5c each
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Spring Wire Mattress,	$1.75 to $2.50
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Excelsior Cotton Top Mattress,	$2.25
Best made [illegible] beds,	$2.00 to $4.50
Express Wagons	$1.00 to $2.50
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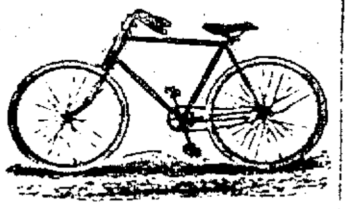

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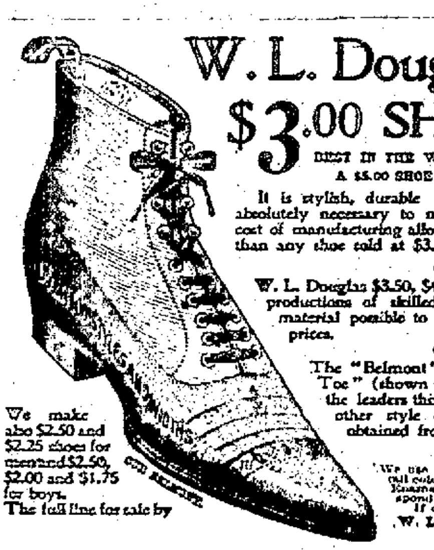

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SMETHPORT FRIDAY [illegible]

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Bring in your job work.

Read the article on sheep raising by a farmer.

Bradford and Ceres are also suffering from worms.

Coudersport had a great celebration on the Fourth.

—Argument court was called yesterday at 10 a. m.

—Don't forget the railroad meeting at the Sprague building next Tuesday night.

Ned Ryan is wrestling with Coke and Blackstone in T. F. Richmond's law office.

—At the present time there are 150 men employed in the coal mines at Clermont.

Miss Hortense Orlatt and [illegible] Green both of Norwich, were married on the Fourth.

There was a boy [illegible] at Larport yesterday morning while stealing a ride on a train.

The Populists of McKean county will hold their convention in the court house on Friday, July 17.

The sidewalks around the Taylor property between Main and Water streets have been repaired.

According to an Era correspondent a new oil territory is being developed near Andover, N. Y.

If you want up-to-date job printing of any sort send your order to the Miner. We have the facilities.

—Alex Anderson of Colegrove, lost one of his fingers last Saturday by having a wagon seat fall on it.

—Last Friday Pat Fay's little child of Open Brook had one of its fingers cut off by a window falling on it.

A deserving person lost $5 in Smethport, July 4. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office.

—Miss Mittie Dennison of East Smethport, and Monson Welch of Norwich, were married at Olean on July 4.

The I. O. O. F. will hold a grand meeting here on Aug. 11. Do not fail to attend. Watch for the large posters.

—If you can spare the time go to Bradford Monday night and listen to the silver-tongued orator, Robert Ingersoll.

—W. H. Olmsted, proprietor of The Variety, has a change in his advertisement this week. Don't fail to read it.

—The steps leading from the cemetery to the gate should be repaired. They are dangerous for pedestrians on dark nights.

—If you notice Marcus' of Olean, adv. you will see that every 20th garment is free. Mail orders given prompt attention.

—Your attention is directed to the change in the advertisement of Mrs. T. D. Nash. She is offering some rare bargains.

—The school directors of Keating township contemplate building a school house at Simpson. See notice in another column.

—John McConeghey, formerly of Coudersport, has opened a store at 169 Union street, Olean. See card in another column.

—Everybody, including their wives' relations, went from this section to witness the ball game at Port Allegany last Saturday.

—John Anderson has the contract for the erection of the new store building of M. A. Phillips at Hazel Hurst.—Mt. Jewett Herald.

—Last Tuesday at Henley-on-Thames the Yale crew was defeated in a closely contested boat race by the Leander crew by 1¾ lengths.

—When the water company extend their water lines on Cemetery street, the council will erect the necessary hydrants for fire protection.

—A. L. Hughes, of the Henderson House, Bradford, left for his old home in Chester county, Pa., last Monday, for a much needed rest.

—Early this morning D. M. Sanford in passing from the bath room to his dwelling room became dizzy and fell down stairs. At the time of going to press his injuries were not thought to be serious.

—Last Sunday's Philadelphia Times was a hummer. The outside was printed in colors, and showed a fine illustration of the old State House.

—Sheridan, Jr., and Rex Gorton have recently finished the construction of a lawn tennis court in front of their father's residence on King street.

—Port Allegany's Fourth of July celebration—the ball game between Smethport and Austin—has been postponed until to-morrow Saturday, July 11.

John Nolan of Clermont, while using an axe last Tuesday had the misfortune to hit one of his legs, cutting a long gash that required [illegible] stitches to bring it together.

On August 27 the G. A. R. boys will capture our town. Be prepared to give them a rousing reception and assist in making their last [illegible] a success.

Last Wednesday the [illegible] crossing. Between 80 and 125 [illegible] passed and all report having had an enjoyable time.

Mr. H. Cumberland Wilson gave an organ recital in Grace Church [illegible] Wednesday evening. Mr. Wilson expects to organize classes here in Ridgway and Kane.

[illegible] last week was thrown [illegible] striking on his head and since which time he has found locomotion rather difficult.

—Next Tuesday our "Nonpareils" will cross bats with the Bradford team on the Pine street grounds in that city. Next Friday the Bradford team will play a return game with our boys at Hamlin Park.

[illegible] the successor to [illegible], has a special sale advertisement on the first page. He gives you the bate for almost nothing. Everything in proportion. He is bound to suit you. Give him a call.

The old Emery warehouse which has been a landmark on lower Main street for years, collapsed [illegible] Saturday and is a wreck and a ruin. It will be rebuilt in a more substantial manner.—Bradford Star.

Persons who are in the habit of kicking about the roads around Smethport should [illegible] between [illegible] port and [illegible] this piece of road is worth [illegible] putting it in.

The borough council last Monday [illegible] committee to make [illegible] arrangements.

The report of [illegible].

Miss M. [illegible] Kathern [illegible].

The army worm is turning [illegible].

[illegible] was visited by a [illegible] fire on Monday evening last. The jewelry store of [illegible] on State street was [illegible] destroyed before [illegible] of the blaze. The loss on the property was about $[illegible]. Insurance $1500.

Look out for [illegible].

There is bad blood between the [illegible] who participated in a [illegible].

The Miner has received a special invitation to attend the [illegible]. The purpose of this assembly is purely philanthropic and all receipts above expenses are [illegible] for educational purposes.

Thieves entered the store of Dibble & Sullivan at Duke Centre early last Sunday morning and [illegible]. They were [illegible] on the road leading to Knapp's creek. A [illegible] the thieves.

The Miner has received [illegible] creating views of this section as well as the finest buildings in Bradford.

—E. H. Thompson formerly proprietor of the Sweden Valley House, is now to be found in charge of the Thompson House Main street, Coudersport. This house has been recently refurnished and is one of the most popular places in Potter county. Give him a call when in Coudersport. Read card in this issue.

—Last fall [illegible] Childs received a verdict of $[illegible] against Crawford [illegible] for damages received from the breaking down of a county bridge near Hydetown. The judgement was recovered in the Warren county court. The Supreme court last week handed down a decision reversing the Warren court.—Bradford Era.

—Elliot J. Dent, son of Col. Wm. Dent of Brookland, Potter county, was the fortunate young man out of nine competitors, to capture the West Point cadetship of the 18th Congressional district. The Miner congratulates the young man on his success and hopes that this will be a stepping stone to future preferment.

—Frank J. Collins, who has been the general manager of the business of the firm of N. [illegible] Collins & Co., Bradford, is now sole owner and proprietor of this large wholesale liquor establishment. The success of this firm is largely due to the energy of F. J. Collins, and that he will succeed as sole owner there can be no question.

—We have just received a copy of "McKinley's Grand March," composed by M. E. Kidsall. This celebrated march is now being played by all prominent bands in all parts of the country. The title page contains a correct picture of McKinley. Price 40 cents. All readers of this paper will receive a copy at half price by sending 20 cents in silver or postage stamps to The Union Mutual Music Co., 265 Sixth Avenue, New York.

—D. F. Hazelton's Mt. Jewett and Smethport road, from Mt. Jewett to Gallup, a distance of nine miles will be completed by Contractor McComb, of of this city, on Friday of this week. Mr. Hazelton has agreed to extend the road to Smethport, providing the people of Smethport will secure for him the right of way.—Record.

It is said that Kelley will bring suit against Fragner for malicious trespass in pulling up the beans in his garden mistaking them for radishes.—Reporter. This is conclusive evidence that the agricultural society was a necessity in the [illegible] when a citizen of such a thriving [illegible] tell a bean stalk from a radish top.

Mrs. Frank Wilson [illegible] who was [illegible] last [illegible] was healed by the faith cure died at the Kane [illegible] last week. [illegible] hospital where after [illegible] operation she died.

The following marriage licenses have been granted [illegible] Barber and [illegible] Clermont, N. Y. [illegible] Miss Nellie [illegible] of Bradford.

—The Fourth of July celebration at Coudersport last week was one of which the citizens of that lovely town may feel justly proud. In spite of the rain in the afternoon the program was successfully carried out. It is claimed that there were [illegible] strangers in town on Saturday. The Lost Men's band [illegible] special notice. This is a comparatively a new band but like the [illegible] are fast forging to the front.

The G. A. R. reunion to be held in this place August [illegible] will be an excellent opportunity for Bradford citizens to [illegible] their appreciation [illegible] large delegation to this place to any public gathering but we sincerely hope that this occasion [illegible] will be well [illegible].

[illegible] hay [illegible] belonging to [illegible] Keegan [illegible]. Mr. Keegan offers a reward of [illegible] for return of property and conviction [illegible] Wharton [illegible] escaped.

Last M[illegible] Olean [illegible] thought his [illegible] was broken but it was not [illegible]. He had a very [illegible] escape.

We regret very much [illegible] a mistake [illegible] in the Miner [illegible] weeks ago regarding John [illegible]. The pretended gentleman who [illegible] Beastrom [illegible] was his brother [illegible] Beastrom who [illegible] with the accident. We apologize to [illegible] gentlemen for the unintentional mistake and we feel satisfied that John [illegible] the Miner.

[illegible] the meeting.

[illegible] at his home in the Kinzua Bridge [illegible] Saturday last, James [illegible] aged [illegible] years [illegible]. Mr. [illegible] has been a resident of this [illegible] for a great many years and has [illegible]. The funeral was held [illegible] Monday [illegible] from the [illegible] school house, [illegible] H. Mc[illegible] officiating. A large number of relatives and friends were present at the funeral.

[illegible] the Fourth [illegible] immense crowds attended and [illegible] well pleased [illegible]. The merry [illegible]. This year though [illegible] of energy we failed to put forth the necessary effort to get up a [illegible] Fourth [illegible]. There was no celebration here [illegible] we may have an old fashioned Fourth of July.

Last Sunday night the residents of Coudersport were suddenly startled by the report that Mrs. Edwin Haskell wife of the senior editor of the Potter Journal, had fallen down stairs and broken her neck. [illegible] evening [illegible] her return [illegible] was in excellent spirits [illegible] to have enjoyed her ride very much. When the [illegible] retiring she [illegible] started up the stairway which has a [illegible] and in [illegible] she fell [illegible] the spinal cord. Dr. Ellison was called but death had been instantaneous. Mrs. Haskell was about 50 years of age of a genial disposition and very highly esteemed by all her acquaintances. She was married to Mr. Haskell in 18[illegible], and they have resided most of the time since in Coudersport. The husband and two daughters are left to mourn her departure. The Miner tenders sympathy in their sad bereavement.

—The Smethport papers contained an announcement last week of a meeting called on Friday evening which was adjourned to Tuesday evening of this week for the purpose of securing right of way to connect that town with Hazelton's standard-gauge road up Marvin Creek. It is said that Mr. Hazleton will continue his road to Smethport in case the right of way is secured for him. It hardly seems possible that the citizens of Smethport will fail to accomplish that object. One of the great obstacles which have stood in the way of securing industrial establishments in that town has been the extravagant freight rates which have been imposed by railroad corporations entering there. The Hazelton road connects at Mt. Jewett with the Erie and Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburg systems. It would be a strong competitor for all business in and around Smethport. The probabilities are that the road will not end at that town.—Kane Republican.

—School teachers will be interested in a case tried a few days ago in Chambersburg, this State. A boy had kicked a little girl on the play ground at recess. When school was dismissed the boy was called for punishment and refused to go, and when force was used he drew a knife upon the teacher. The latter conquered however, and gave the boy a thrashing which drew blood. The presiding judge said the boy's act was one of insubordination and that it was to be decided then and there who was at the head of the school. In the opinion of the judge the whipping was not too severe. The jury agreed with him and the cost of the prosecution fell on the boy's father.

One of the prominent citizens of our town has in his possession a calf of which he is justly proud, consequently it receives a great deal of attention. The [illegible] on them attempted to feed the calf [illegible] suddenly the bars gave way and our [illegible] landed head first in the pail of milk much to the inconvenience [illegible] the milk by putting his owner [illegible]. The expressions used by the [illegible] are not published for various reasons but the calf went supperless to bed.

Harry Weaver a popular young man of this place met with quite a painful accident while riding his bicycle on East Main street early Monday evening. While attempting to pass a wagon he was run into by the horses and thrown from his bicycle, one wheel of the wagon passing over his right arm below the elbow bruising it severely. He was also badly bruised about the body. Mr. Weaver when questioned about the accident said that the driver of the wagon deliberately turned his team toward him and seemed determined to give him a bad fall. If such is the case and so it appeared to all who witnessed the collision Mr. Weaver would be justified in prosecuting the driver to the full extent of the law [illegible] driving on Main street should be stopped.

The army worm pest has reached this section. Last Tuesday morning Casper Smith of Keating township brought [illegible] containing about a dozen of these worms. They are about the size of [illegible] the common [illegible] they are darker [illegible]. Mr. Smith showed us some timothy and rye [illegible] the worms had been working [illegible] and it seems they commence at the bottom of the stalk stripping the leaves as they go up and when the head is reached they eat all the seeds from it. The worms work nights and rainy days leaving the grain and going into the ground when the sun shines. Mr. Smith informed us that there were millions of these pests and that his hay and rye crop has been nearly destroyed in [illegible] days. Nothing has yet been found [illegible] will destroy these worms.

Fourth of July Accidents at Kane.

[illegible] the following accidents which occurred on July 4th.

Harry the [illegible] son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Pos[illegible]thal was playing with a lighted match on Saturday forenoon in front of the candy building, when his clothing caught fire. He was very severely burned about the chest before the flames were extinguished by those who were attracted by his screams. Dr. Evans was called and gave the sufferer relief. He will recover.

Stephen, the 11 year old son of C. W. Huff of Fayard street was the victim of a very painful injury Saturday forenoon near the Centennial Hotel. A large dynamite [illegible] had been lighted and thrown [illegible] it was still burning [illegible] struck a post [illegible]. He also received severe [illegible] cuts in the left eye [illegible] supposed to have been cut by the breaking of his glasses, when he fell [illegible] platform. He was carried to the [illegible] sight of the eye uninjured and gave the injuries in the thigh the attention required. When seen yesterday morning [illegible] was getting along nicely [illegible] suffering some pain from the burn [illegible] thigh.

Patrick a son of Fireman Thomas Crawford, of the P. & E. R. R. about 12 years old met with a very serious accident on the Fourth which will result in the loss of one eye and possibly both. He was endeavoring to light a cannon fire cracker in front of the Republican office and was blowing the fuse when it exploded. One of his eyes was blown out of [illegible] socket and the other was filled with powder. The fingers of the hand with which he held the cracker was torn into shreds. In his agony the boy screamed which instantly brought a crowd. He was taken into the German restaurant where Dr. Armstrong was called and dressed his lacerated fingers and face and advised his father who soon arrived to take him to an eye specialist in Erie as soon as possible. The accident occurred at [illegible] o'clock a. m. and the father left with the boy on the [illegible] train for Erie.

Scrub Ball Players Will Kick.

The St. Marys base ball aggregation think they have a kick coming because they won a game from Kane by a score of 4 to 3 after our boys had trimmed them to the tune of 25 to 5. The Gazette in making excuse for the trimming says "They may have been outplayed, but taking the record of the Smethport club, not only so far as concerns our boys, but others as well we know that our club would not have been permitted to win, had they been able but after the bluffing and [illegible] to which they were subjected they were in no shape to play ball, and in fact did not." And the Gazette further states that the Smethport and Kane clubs are bitter rivals and are about evenly matched."

The truth of the matter is that the Kane and St. Marys teams are about evenly matched, and might truly be termed "scrubs" in comparison with our boys. It is true that Kane won two games from Smethport before the team was regularly organized (the only games Smethport has lost) by most extraordinary luck.

It seems to be the fashion of would-be ball players, when they are attempting to play with teams way above their class, to kick on the umpire, team and everything in general, and thus try to convey the idea to the public at large that they are being robbed, when in reality they are getting the best of it all the way through. The five runs St. Marys scored was simply a donation by our boys. It would have been dead easy to have shut them out.

Notice to Farmers.

A meeting of the Agricultural and Breeder's Society will be held at the Court House, Smethport, Pa., Saturday, Aug. 22, at 2 p. m. Every person interested in agriculture is invited to attend.

JAY QUIRK, Sec'y.

28-7.

Albert Anderson has just received a fine line of ladies, misses and children's shoes in every style at prices that defy competition. Look for my adv next week.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL.

Prof. C. D. Kelley, of Port Allegany, was [illegible].

J. R. Shoemaker spent Sunday last in Buffalo.

Foster Studholm visited Bradford last Tuesday.

Miss M. Collins, of Bradford, was in town Wednesday.

John Hungerford visited Bradford the first of the week.

B. D. Christley of Colegrove was in town Monday.

Mrs. Frank Richmond visited Kane last Tuesday night.

A. B. Walker transacted business in Mt. Jewett yesterday.

Herman [illegible] visited his home in this place first of the week.

W. F. Spe[illegible] and [illegible] A. Burdick visited Bradford yesterday.

J. W. Hilton of Mt. Alton transacted business in town Tuesday.

Ralph Berdick went to Buffalo this morning [illegible].

[illegible] was greeting [illegible] Wednesday.

[illegible] Wagner [illegible] Higgins [illegible] were in town yesterday.

W. Fagan and H. R. Curtis, of Eldred were in town yesterday.

W. F. B[illegible] Fred [illegible] of Clermont, were in town Monday last.

Chas. Ka[illegible] Burt Sherwood of Eldred were in town Monday.

Miss Gertrude Walker visited Bradford [illegible] the first part of the week.

[illegible] visited Kane Monday [illegible] Wednesday.

W. M. Lindsey [illegible] of Warren's able attorneys was in town yesterday.

F. N. Young, of Jamestown, has been the guest of friends in town this week.

F. M. Roberts and sister, Nellie, were down from McKean's Wednesday.

Mrs. James McInnes and daughter, Edith, returned from Jamestown Monday.

Jacob Arnold of Clermont was a pleasant caller at this office on Tuesday.

Mrs. [illegible] of Olean, is here taking care of her mother, Mrs. Jason Hall.

Father William Coonan, of Bradford was a guest of Father Calligan yesterday.

General James Doyle of Camp Halsey was a guest at the Central Wednesday.

Mrs. A. Wilson of Angelica, N. Y. has been visiting at the home of D. C. Young.

Attorney Neil McEwen of Kane, was in attendance at argument court yesterday.

F. B. Dolly and Mrs. O. B. Dolly of Port Allegany drove over the hill yesterday.

Attorneys H. F. Shaffer and A. J. Hoey, of Kane, were attending argument court yesterday.

Miss Della Hafner returned Monday night from Clarion where she has been attending [illegible].

Miss [illegible] is spending a few days at [illegible] a guest of Mrs. Henry [illegible].

[illegible] returned last Saturday [illegible] York and other points in [illegible].

Mrs. [illegible].

Mrs. M. [illegible] has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKean for a few days.

[illegible] Hamlin [illegible] home last Tuesday after several weeks' visit through New York State.

Mrs. W[illegible] and children will [illegible].

[illegible] Waterfall [illegible] William [illegible] Monday for a week [illegible].

Mary Mc[illegible] [illegible] a few weeks visit [illegible].

[illegible] Miss Lydia Fitzgerald [illegible] Port Allegany [illegible] the Sunday last.

Very Rev. [illegible] of Wellsville, N. Y. visited Father [illegible] at St. Elizabeth parsonage [illegible] Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] W. Dunn and daughter Miss Ma[illegible] Mrs. W[illegible] and Miss Cora Barr visited the [illegible] lodge Wednesday.

Mrs. Andrew Kelly and granddaughter Miss [illegible] have been visiting Mrs. M. B. Green of Kane for a few days.

Clarence Grant Hall and William Sherman Hall [illegible] are in town called here by the serious illness of their mother.

A. E. Colgrove, wife and little daughter Edith departed Monday for Washington D. C. where they will make an extended visit.

[illegible] the higher branches [illegible].

The Misses [illegible] Lulu Keenan left [illegible] for Philadelphia [illegible] several [illegible] week.

[illegible] has been visiting [illegible] for the past week returned [illegible] home in Olean Wednesday.

[illegible] at her residence [illegible] Freeman was [illegible] arrangements for the [illegible] convention.

[illegible] returned from the Adirondacks region last Saturday. While away he [illegible] several million feet of logs.

[illegible] Ward of Port Allegany came [illegible] yesterday [illegible] the early train for Bradford [illegible] a meeting of the insurance [illegible].

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Berry, E. B. Stone [illegible] Smith, W. F. Hastings, [illegible] Shoemaker of Bradford were in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. F. Davis and daughter Dewhie started for Cambridge this morning for an extended visit [illegible] very much [illegible] at the prospect of keeping bachelor's hall.

[illegible] Shelander of [illegible] Gleason, was a pleasant caller at the Miner office Monday morning. Mr. Shelander left on the morning train for Buffalo with a view of purchasing a team of horses.

Drowned Near Mt. Jewett.

Ralph Pardee a ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Pardee was drowned [illegible] at Campbelltown on Friday about 12 o'clock. He was wading out to a raft upon which his companion Roy Davis was enjoying a ride but got into too deep water and was soon drowned. The Davis boy ran his raft to shore and tried to wade out and save the unfortunate boy but he could not reach him in time and as soon as he sank out of sight the affrightened lad ran to the house and gave the alarm. No one but ladies could be found, all the men being at work but they were just coming from the factory as they heard the screams of the women. Frank McQuown, Howard Brown and Casper Lily went to their assistance and when the facts were made known began a search for the victim soon finding him at the bottom of the pond. All methods of resuscitation were tried and Dr. Van Slyke of Mt. Jewett but a mile distant, was called, but they could not revive the little fellow as he had been in the water too long.—Kane Republican.

A Big Bridge.

Civil engineers met at Zoar, Cattaraugus county, recently, taking dimensions of the railroad bridge to be built there. It will be 1,000 feet long and 318 feet high. The road bed was graded more than thirty years ago through Otto and Collins, and it is now proposed by the Erie to build this branch from North Collins via Collins Centre, Zoar and Otto to the old New York and Erie between Cattaraugus and Little Valley and thus obtain a good grade to the coal fields of Penn'a.—Eagle.

To prevent pale and delicate children from lapsing into chronic invalids later in life, they should take Ayer's Sarsaparilla together with plenty of wholesome food and out-door exercise. What they need to build up the system is good red blood.

Persons who have a coughing spell every night, on account of a tickling sensation in the throat, may overcome it at once by a dose of One Minute Cough Cure. A. W. Colegrove, Smethport, A. E. Stickles, East Smethport.

If in need of screen doors or windows of any size, shape or style, Holmes and Gilliland have them to sell.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

ANNIN CREEK

James Tuft, of Port Allegany, was in town Friday.

[illegible] had business out of town [illegible] week.

The [illegible] of the mowing machine is everywhere to be heard.

Charles Ward [illegible] had business in Port Allegany Friday last.

Miss Josephine Buckley is home from [illegible] for the summer.

Mrs. [illegible] has been visiting her daughter at East Otto.

[illegible] and wife visited friends in Bradford the first part of last week.

Mrs. Henry Wi[illegible] of Port Allegany, visited in this place last week.

Chas. Hel[illegible] of Sweden Valley, was in town [illegible] days last week.

[illegible] is stopping with [illegible] at present.

[illegible] Smethport, was visiting in town Saturday and Sunday last.

A. S. Cooper wife and Mrs. F. K. Winship enjoyed a trip to Port Allegany Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Wightman spent the Fourth with Frank Woodard and wife at Rixford.

Miss Emily [illegible] who has been visiting [illegible] returned to her home in Bradford Friday.

Mrs. F. K. Winship is spending the week at [illegible] her sister in law Mrs. [illegible] Knapp.

Bad for Bogus Butter

The district court of appeals at Washington recently handed down an opinion sustaining the constitutionality of the oleomargarine act. A retail grocer, who had appealed from conviction and fine for selling oleomargarine as butter without marking it according to law, was overruled on every point, the court holding the employer accountable for his salesmen and declaring broadly that oleomargarine could not be sold, except in stamped or branded packages, without knowledge and intention of violating the statute.—Hoard's Dairyman.

Notice

The annual Retreat for the Priests of the Erie Diocese will commence on Wednesday evening, the 8th inst., after the conference at St. Marys Monastery, Elk Co. All sick calls in McKean county will be attended from St. Bonaventure College, Allegany, N. Y. The Retreat will [illegible] the 13th inst., at 10 a. m.

Poor Railroad Accommodations.

[illegible] the comfort [illegible] passengers or not. Last Saturday there was a large crowd that [illegible] attend the ball game at Port Allegany. When the train arrived at Larabee [illegible] running to Port Allegany [illegible] company in the Clermont train [illegible] a few minutes ahead of the Emporium train and then sent it back [illegible] minutes ahead of the regular train [illegible] the mean time the passengers at Larabee were compelled to [illegible] two hours [illegible] wait for the up train which [illegible]. This may be using [illegible] company that [illegible] the traveling public [illegible] company mentioned [illegible].

G. A. R. Reunion

[illegible]

[illegible] association [illegible] Thursday August [illegible].

[illegible] for the day will be [illegible].

Camp Fire immediately after parade. Business meeting after camp fire. [illegible] members of the G. A. R. [illegible] address the Comrades.

III. The officers of the association will act as aides to the president.

IV. Comrade C. M. Slack is hereby appointed Chief of Staff.

V. Headquarters will be at the Wright House where commanders upon their arrival will report.

VI. The Camp Fire will be held in the [illegible] giving [illegible] time to reach home [illegible]. It is expected that each post [illegible] will fill ranks and [illegible] invite the [illegible] Relief Corps to accompany [illegible]. By Command [illegible]

[illegible] Secretary. [illegible] President.

Great Oaks from Little Acorns Grown.

[illegible] true old verse we used to [illegible]. It has a terrible application to those small ailments which we are apt to disregard until they reach formidable proportions. A fit of indigestion, a slight attack of constipation it is assumed, will soon pass. It but is very apt to get worse, and in the mean time is neglected until the ailment becomes chronic and then, if not entirely eradicated is a constant annoyance and menace of worse consequences, for diseases, recollect beget one another. How much wiser to resort to a course of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters at the outset of the malady than to temporize with it in the start, or treat it with violent remedies in its maturity. Be on time with disease or it may floor you. Malarious, rheumatic and kidney complaints, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness and nervousness are all disorders of rapid growth and should be nipped in the bud by a timely resort to the Bitters.

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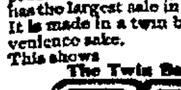

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Another stomach trouble is that form of dyspepsia which gives pain after eating. Persons with this disease seem to have but a scant measure of nerve strength, when food is being digested, the stomach needs the concentration of all of the nerve and brain force, and if reading or close thought is attempted soon after eating the stomach commences that intolerable aching which dyspeptics dread so much, when, the only immediate relief appears to be to stop the mental activity and get up and move around. In such cases there is evidently for the time being, too little nerve power to divide between the stomach and the brain, each one alone needs it all to enable it to perform its labor.

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Mr. Clinton lived in Dorchester, where he had a large establishment. One night [illegible] child's nurse was taken suddenly ill with a kind of spasm. The woman was very [illegible] to the infant [illegible] been invaluable [illegible] her faithfulness had won her the respect and affection of her master. As the coachman happened to be away that evening and the necessity for the services of a physician was urgent Mr. Clinton saddled his horse and rode hastily [illegible] town, and was very soon ringing at [illegible] door of the family doctor in [illegible] street. His inquiry of the servant [illegible] whether [illegible] was met by a reply which stopped him for a moment so that he fell back against the wall of the passage and forgot the urgency of his errand.

"Dr. J. is out," said the girl. "Mr. Clinton, a patient of his, came in on horseback an hour ago, and asked him to come out of town to see a nurse in his family who was in convulsions." Recovering from the shock of an apparent doppelganger thus forced upon his conception, questioning elicited the fact that the second patient, bearing his own name, lived in Charlestown. In all other things the circumstances concerning two persons of the same patronymic was identical. The hour, the illness, the vocation of the sufferer, the arrival on horseback, were accidental coincidences which led nowhere and meant nothing, though they might, with stimulating attributes, have furnished food for the wildest credulity.

A member of the B. family of Baltimore was sent for one evening to see a convict who had expressed such an urgent desire for the interview that the [illegible] acceded to his request to send the message, which conveyed the singular intimation that it might be [illegible] the gentleman's advantage if he would [illegible] to the prison. He found [illegible] looking fellow who, having just received a long sentence, which would in all probability be for life, had been moved by remorse to communicate to Mr. B. certain facts in connection with a robbery of his family [illegible] which he said he had been concerned several years before. The robbery had [illegible] honest hearer who had long given up any hope of detecting the criminal or recovering the property that he and another were concerned in the crime. The silver had been placed in a bundle which was in his possession. His confederate was to meet him at an agreed place on the night following the burglary and they were then to make off together, but if he failed to keep the appointment it was a signal of danger, and the fellow who had the swag was to understand that he had better get it out of his hands without delay and secure his own safety. The appointment was not kept, and the thief, desiring to make an effort at restitution however unlikely, had sent for Mr. B. to tell him that he had thrown the package over the wall of a certain graveyard which he described and that it had fallen within the door of a tomb which was standing open and of which he indicated the position.

Expressing suitable recognition of the intentions of the repentant criminal Mr. B. left him, scarcely intending to pursue the matter further. The next morning, however, found him at the door of the sexton in charge of the burying place. The sexton, on hearing the description of the tomb, showed at first some confusion, which Mr. B. understood when he was reminded that the tomb described was his own family vault, and the sexton, who had at once remembered a gross carelessness of his own, went on to recall the fact that the time was that of the death and burial of a cousin of the family and to acknowledge that he had never forgotten or forgiven himself the accidental leaving of the door of the tomb open the night following the funeral. The two repaired to the tomb and found the package inclosed within it, the silver tarnished but untouched, just as the thief had cast the family plate, by an unequaled coincidence, into the family burial place of its owners.—Boston Transcript.

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Do not feed cottonseed meal to calves.

It has been proved time and again that with constant and thorough cultivation a very good corn crop may be produced even in dry seasons, enough at least so that the dairyman need not sell his cows. The thorough cultivation seems somehow to draw out the moisture and fertility from the earth itself.

When you plant corn, sweet or otherwise, for the soiling crop for dairy cows, drill it in rows. This is surely and certainly better than to sow it over the ground broadcast. Drilling in rows enables it to be cultivated like any other crop and gain vigor and size accordingly.

While congress is settling the affairs of foreign nations and the very important matter of whether certain civil officers shall receive $3,000 or $3,500 a year it may be humbly hoped that it will find time somewhere before its long session peters out to grant the request of dairymen of the United States, who represent $5,000,000,000 of invested capital, and set its foot down upon the makers and sellers of filled cheese—set it down heavy enough, too, to crush the life out of their dirty trade. Meantime the makers and venders of oleomargarine need some looking after also.

If, in the spring, the milkroom shelves, floor and walls become moldy where a drop of milk is spilled, it shows that an unhealthy vegetable fungus is growing about your milkroom, and that it will give a moldy taste to all your dairy products. Get some powdered, air slaked lime, such as is found in every household, and rub it, and rub it hard, with a brush or broom over all the infected surfaces. Then sweep and wipe it thoroughly off, and you will have no more mold. Be careful not to get the lime upon your hands or in your eyes.

Curing a Snake's Blindness.

One of the most poisonous snakes at the London zoo, a king cobra, recently became nearly blind. When it shed its skin, it threw off every part except the transparent plate which covers the eye. After each change of skin this plate remained uncast, and the successive layers became opaque and projected over the eye in a horny boss. The keeper used the snake's habit of creeping through any aperture which it can find in the wall of its cage to rid itself of the growth over the eye. He drew back the iron shutter which separates one compartment from the other, leaving a narrow space open. The cobra soon discovered this, and pushed its nose into the crack. This was slightly widened, and the snake squeezed through, rubbing off one of the scales as it did so. It was then induced to go back by the way it had come, and after this had been repeated once or twice it cleared the scale from the other eye. Since then it has cast its skin completely and its eyes are apparently none the worse for its temporary blindness. Snakes naturally drag themselves through rough grass and bushes to get rid of the old skin which [illegible].—London Public Opinion.

THE POTATO CROP.

Profitable Varieties—Second Crop Seed. When Matching [illegible]

A valuable digest made of bulletins reported from 33 stations where experiments with Irish potatoes have been conducted, and published by Home and Farm, affords much information of general interest. Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Missouri stations, after testing varieties for two to six years, find the most prolific to be Alexander's Prolific, Beauty of Hebron, Burbank, Charter Oak, Dakota Red, Pearl of Savoy and Rural New Yorker No. 2. Southern stations find the Triumph (sometimes called Red Triumph and Tennessee Red Triumph) most prolific and in every way best.

Home grown seed generally gave slightly better results than seed from abroad, and at southern stations the difference in favor of home grown seed was marked. Spring planting from fall crop or second crop seed of the previous year has everywhere given far better results than spring seed of the previous year. Three stations have experimented with seed from the best hills, and all agree that these improve yield and quality.

Twenty stations have tested the merits of one eye, two eye, quarter, half and whole seed with conflicting results. In this matter it has been decided, however, that the larger the seed piece the earlier the crop, and the richer the land the less difference in yield between large seed and small seed. On poor land the large seed gives much the best results. To plant large seed whole requires 20 to 40 bushels of seed per acre, while for single eye pieces three to four bushels are sufficient. For very early crop, plant large seed whole, otherwise quarters seem most profitable. Ten stations have tested the merits of seed ends, stem ends and middle pieces, and the average results show no material difference. Early varieties and early planting give best results.

Five stations have experimented as to depth of planting, the best results in most cases being from a depth of two to three inches. Eight stations have experimented on distance, drills generally giving better results than hills. A fair deduction favors rows 30 inches apart and small seed pieces 12 inches, quarters 18 inches, halves 24 and whole seed 30 inches apart in the row. Alabama, Kansas and Utah stations favor level culture, while the Indiana station favors ridging, and Maryland, New York and Ohio find no difference. The general tendency is toward thorough preparation of soil and shallow level culture.

In dry countries and dry seasons mulching pays well; otherwise it is injurious. In fickle climates much half the crop. The best fertilizer depends on the deficiency of the soil. Generally commercial fertilizers are preferred to barnyard manure for potatoes. Rolling seed in flour of sulphur or soaking an hour in 15 gallons of water in which 4½ ounces of corrosive sublimate has been dissolved prevents scab. Sublimate corrodes metal and is a rank poison, hence mix in a barrel and be careful. Spray the growing plants early and often with bordeaux mixture containing paris green, and neither bugs nor blight will trouble the crop.

Strawberries in New York.

Reports sent in by New York fruit growers to Professor Bailey of Cornell make it appear that the Wilson is the most largely grown strawberry in that state, followed by Crescent, Bubach, Haverland, Warfield and Parker Earle. Michel is the most popular early kind, Crescent next. Parker Earle and Gandy are favorite late kinds. Wilson, Parker Earle and Warfield stand shipment best. Bubach, Jessie, Crescent and Wilson receive most votes for home use.

Salt on Asparagus.

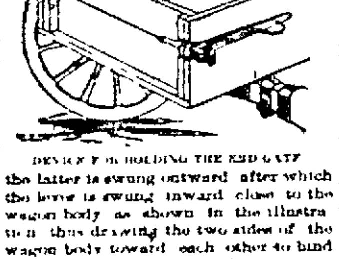
A Massachusetts correspondent of The Rural New Yorker writes:

I do not know of any grower of asparagus for market who uses salt. I have tried it on my bed in a small way, but could see no benefit. I grow as fine and large asparagus as I ever saw in market, use no salt and seldom use manure. I depend on commercial fertilizers and think that the quality of grass so grown is superior to that grown by the use of manure.

End Gate of Wagon.

A simple and durable device for securely holding the end gate of a wagon in place and permitting of quickly loosening it for convenient removal is shown in the accompanying illustration from the Philadelphia Times. The end gate [illegible] extending through one of which is a short screw rod with a nut on its outer end and an eye on its inner end, and the eye is connected by a rod with a link adapted to engage a projection from the fulcrum end of a lever pivoted in a bracket attached to the other side of the wagon body.

The link is readily engaged with a recess in the outer end of the lever, when the latter is swung outward, after which the lever is swung inward close to the wagon body, as shown in the illustration, thus drawing the two sides of the wagon body toward each other to bind the end gate in place. As the screw eye may be drawn in by means of the nut, any slack in the link and transverse rod may be readily taken up, permitting of always closely binding the sides upon the end gate, and, as the clamping lever is entirely on the outside of the wagon body, it does not obstruct the loading or unloading of the wagon.



DEVICE FOR HOLDING THE END GATE.

SUFFOCATED BY THE SNAKE'S ODOR.

A Maine Man's Hazardous Encounter With a Virginia Moccasin.

"When I was a young fellow," says a now aged Maine man, "I went into southern Virginia for a time. I had lived in Maine and Massachusetts and consequently had no fear of snakes. I had formed a habit of picking up by the tail such snakes as came across my path and of giving them a quick snap to break their necks. Soon after I went to the south, in the road one day I saw a small snake, a couple of feet long, perhaps, and of a yellowish color, wriggling across the path. Without thinking of harm, I jumped for him, put my foot on his neck, and, catching him by the tail, swung him to give him a snap. Some people were near by, and they yelled to me like wild men to drop that snake.

"I stopped a moment, while the snake wriggled, and then I snapped him in due and ancient form. Mark the result. In less than ten minutes I became drowsy and insensible and remained so for several hours in spite of the efforts of those who had warned me to rouse my dormant senses. I did not know that the snake bit me in any way and do not now believe he did. The air had a suffocating, sickening smell—an odor thrown off by the snake, I think, and breathing that poisoned me.

"The snake, I was told, was a moccasin, one of the most venomous of the whole tribe of crawlers. Since that day snapping snakes has afforded me no fun."—Lewiston Journal.

Awkward.

Bridegroom—Unfortunately, I shall be unable to go to the zoological garden with you tomorrow. Will you not go alone and look at the monkeys?

Bride (tenderly)—Dear Adolph, when you are not with me, I have no interest in monkeys.—Meggendorfer's Blaetter.

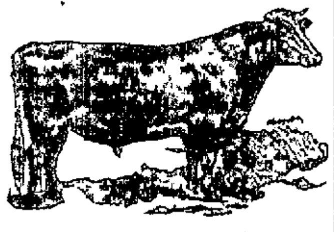
DAIRY & CREAMERY.

THE DAIRY SHORTHORN.

Pictures of a Sire From a Fine Milking Bred Strain.

It is a question whether, if a Shorthorn family were bred for 20 years or so for purely milking purposes, it would in that length of time lose its beef characteristics altogether and be merged into the peaked, thin muscled dairy cattle type.

At any rate, there is a prospect the experiment will be made. Indications show that interest is being aroused in the dairy type of Shorthorn. The American Shorthorn Breeders' association has now taken the matter in hand, and we shall see what we shall see.



DAIRY SHORTHORN SIRE.

Meantime here is a Pennsylvania dairy Shorthorn sire. His form shows that he is a sort of half way house between the beefy Shorthorn and the slim quartered Guernsey or Jersey bull. He belongs to the famous Clay Shorthorn family and was calved by Kitty Clay 3d, the cow that ranked third among the Shorthorns in the 90 day dairy test at the World's fair. This bull is now 4 years old and is almost as pretty as a heifer.

Woes of Milk Producers.

They are the same the world over. But a number of the dairy farmers in the districts supplying Chicago have formed an organization to take things into their own hands and right their wrongs. As with Chicago milk dealers so with all the rest. A report of a dairymen's meeting in the Chicago Herald says:

The chief grievance of the farmer and milk shipper is that he is at the mercy of the dishonest Chicago milkman. He wants to ship his milk to Chicago, but he cannot afford the expense of coming to Chicago every little while to look up the standing of the man to whom he ships. All he can do is ship his milk and trust to luck for getting his pay every month. Under this system it is not difficult for a dishonest Chicagoan to build up a line of credit with a shipper by a few months of prompt pay, then run behind, little by little, as long as the shipper will stand it, and, when the shipper makes a final stand, leave the debt unpaid and go for his milk to some other shipper who has no knowledge of how the first shipper has been treated.

When the farmer tries to collect by lawsuit, he usually finds that the milkman is of good financial standing and a heavy property owner—in his wife's name. This system of doing business, it is claimed, leaves the farmer with his $10,000 or more invested in milk production at the mercy of a Chicago milkman with a couple of hundred dollars invested in a horse and wagon.

It is a conservative estimate to say that these 200 farmers have lost in the aggregate not less than $15,000 the past year and probably $20,000.

Another drain on the farmer's pocket is said to spring from loss of cans by neglect or theft. The farmer sells his milk at 90 cents per can of eight gallons, when the freight he pays, averaging 16 cents a can, is added to the loss in cans and in bad collections, there is little profit left.

The farmers say this milk can system is against the interests of the reputable milkman and the customer. Ralph Chittenden says he knows of one Chicago milkman who has boasted that he skims enough cream from the cans every morning to pay for all the milk and then sells all the skimmed article as pure milk at an absolute profit.

THOUGHT THE WORLD SMALL

When Her Comment In Europe Found Its Echo In America.

"I have known for some time that the world is small," complained a woman recently, "but I did suppose one could make a comment in Europe that would not echo in America. On the piazza of a little inn in the Swiss mountains last summer I chatted with two ladies of a party we had encountered at two or three places en route till we felt as if we had a little acquaintance with them. When they discovered we were from Minneapolis one of them asked if we knew Mr. B. As he is a very intimate friend of ours, we cordially assented and fell to discussing his family. Incidentally I spoke of his first wife and commented on the fact that the present and second Mrs. B. refused to allow the picture of her predecessor to hang in the house. We never knew the first Mrs. B., I said, but we do know and are very fond of the second wife. There must have been something very peculiar about Mrs. B. No. 1 to make Mrs. B. No. 2 so persistent in her determination to keep all mention and memory of her out of the way.'

"My new found friend smiled a little oddly before she said: 'There was something peculiar about the first Mrs. B. which, I believe, cannot be attributed to the second. She was a rarely beautiful woman, and her untimely death at 24 was a terrible blow to her husband. He married again after awhile—he was too young a man to spend a lifetime alone—but his young love has always been a tender memory to him and her picture, painted by a famous artist, and wonderfully life-like, undoubtedly attracted too much attention from every one who saw it to please the present wife, who must be a jealous woman. I know,' she finished suavely, 'for the picture hangs today in my own parlor. The original was my sister.' After a wild attempt to recall just what I had said about the first wife, I registered a vow that hereafter with strangers, though I encountered them in South Africa, I would never mention a name again."—New York Times.

Tea and Coffee.

British trade statistics show that tea is driving coffee out of the market in the United Kingdom. England has always been a great country for tea drinking, and now the British taste for that beverage is apparently stronger and more nearly universal than ever. In the United States, although a very great portion of the population is of almost unmixed British origin, coffee completely overshadows tea in common use. There is no reason to believe that the latter will ever become popular here in the same sense that coffee is already, and the coffee trade increases constantly.

Nations differ in such matters to a very remarkable degree. Germany, like the United States, is a coffee drinking country, and so is France to a less extent. Russia, on the other hand, is more devoted to tea than England, and China and Japan care as little for coffee as the Turks do for the tea which the yellow races of eastern Asia consume in enormous quantities. In some cases the climate seems to be a determining influence, the lower the temperature the greater being the consumption of tea and the smaller the coffee trade. There are notable exceptions, however, for Germany, where coffee leads by long odds, is a land of colder weather in winter than the British Isles experience. Japan, where tea is universally used, is warmer than Asia Minor, where the Turks drink coffee very freely.

However, as a rule, the colder countries prefer tea to coffee, and in the warmer climates coffee is easily first in popularity.—Cleveland Leader.

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TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

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WESTERN NEW YORK [illegible]

In effect Dec. 1, 1895.

Trains leave Smethport for Larabee, Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday 9:25 a. m.
Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 2:21 p. m.
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Clermont Acc'dn daily ex Sunday 12:30 p. m.
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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect June 14, 1896.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:24 a. m.—Train 8, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

3:15 p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:30 a. m., New York 7:33 a. m., Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:00 a. m.

9:00 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6:52 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m. week days (10:38 a. m. Sundays.) Baltimore 6:20 a. m., Washington 7:40 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger coaches from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

7:36 a. m.—Train 1, daily except Sunday for Ridgway, DuBois Clermont and intermediate stations, leaves Ridgway 3:15 p. m. for Erie.

10:10 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

6:35 p. m.—Train 11 daily except Sunday Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 1 leaves Renovo 6:35 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Jc. 7:35 a. m.

Train 11 leaves Philadelphia 8:32 a. m., Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore 8:50 a. m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 6:30 p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to Kane.

Train 3, leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:20 p. m., Washington 10:40 p. m. Baltimore 11:50 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 10:10 a. m., with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD

Daily except Sunday.

NORTH A. M. Lv.	STATIONS.	SOUTH Ar. A. M.
9 30	Ridgway	12 00
9 43	Johnsonburg	11 41
9 49	Bendigo	11 35
9 55	Glen Hazel	11 24
10 05	Straight	11 18
10 11	Instanter	11 06
10 18	Smith's Run	10 56
10 27	Wendvale	10 48
10 35	Clermont	10 40

Connections are made with train 1, leaving Johnsonburg at 3.35 p. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 5:50 p. m. also at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at 1 10 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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7.45 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

2.00 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy, and Rochester.

5.15 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH-BOUND.

4.07 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburgh, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

1.50 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

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TIME TABLE.

Took effect Monday, July 6th, 1896.

1	3	5	STATIONS.	2	4	6
a m	p m	p m	Ar Dp	a m	p m	p m
8.30	2.20	7.25	Keating	9.15	2.25	7.30
8.35	2.02	7.15	Cowley Junc.	9.24	2.52	[illegible]
8.20	1.45	6.58	Austin	10.00	3.15	8.20
	12.57	6.45	Costello	10.20	3.20	—
	12.48	6.20	Wharton	10.45	3.46	—
	12.40	6.16	Logue	11.06	4.00	—
	12.14	6.00	Hull	11.25	4.21	—
	11.46	5.35	Cross Fork Jc	12.05	5.00	—
	10.52	4.45	Germania	1.10	5.45	—
	10.40	4.30	Galeton	1.45	6.10	—
	10.30	4.10	Gaines	2.10	6.20	—
—	9.30	3.35	Ansonia	2.25	6.35	—
	a. m.	p. m.	Dp. Ar	p. m.	p. m.	
	a. m.	p. m.	Cross Fork Br.	p. m.	a. m.	p. m.
	7.30	4.00	ar Cr F'k Jc dp	12.15	[illegible]	[illegible]
	6.30	3.00	dp Cross F'k ar	1.15	1.15	6.20

H. Hutchinson, Train Master. C. W. Goodyear, Gen'l Manager.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday Nov. 4, 1895.

AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	LV. WESTWD		
A. M.	A. M.	P. M.		A. M.	P. M.	A. M.
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PINE CREEK DIVISION.

4.00 p. m	Coudersport	p. m. 4.45
	Fair Grounds	
4.18	Ladona	4.28
4.30	Sweden Valley	4.20

Trains run on eastern standard time.
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LADIES UNDER FIFTY YEARS

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Compound Pennyroyal and Tansy Pills

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